

**SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**STANDING HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE**

**DOCKET NO. 2015-362-E    ORDER NO. 2016-123-H**

**DECEMBER 13, 2016**

**Standing Hearing Officer: David Butler**

**DOCKET DESCRIPTION:**

**Joint Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Duke Energy Progress, LLC and South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for Approval of the Revised South Carolina Interconnection Standard**

**MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

**Request of South Carolina Attorney of Record to be Excused from Workshop**

**STANDING HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:**

**Request granted. Bob Guild, Esquire and Sky C. Stanfield, Esquire represent the Interstate Renewable Energy Council, Inc. in this Docket. Mr. Stanfield was admitted to practice during proceedings under this Docket by admission *pro hac vice* on motion of Mr. Guild, who is the South Carolina Attorney of Record, pursuant to Order No. 2015-871, issued on December 16, 2015. Mr. Guild has filed a request to be excused from attending the Workshop in this Docket, scheduled for December 15, 2016, due to a previously scheduled professional conflict for that day. Mr. Guild states that Mr. Stanfield is able to attend the Workshop by telephone, and would like the ability to participate, if permitted. Further, Mr. Guild notes that his client has provided written comments in the proceeding. Mr. Guild cites South Carolina Appellate Court Rule 404 (i), which states that the South Carolina attorney of record for the attorney appearing *pro hac vice* shall “attend all subsequent proceedings in the matter, unless the tribunal specifically excuses the South Carolina attorney of record from attendance (emphasis added).” Pursuant to the Commission’s discretion under this rule, Mr. Guild requests to be excused from attending the Workshop on December 15, 2016. The request is granted and Mr. Guild is excused from attending the December 15, 2016 Workshop. This is a reasonable request under these circumstances. This is not a rate proceeding, and Mr. Guild notes that the client has provided written comments. Accordingly, Mr. Stanfield may attend by telephone without the presence of Mr. Guild, and Mr. Stanfield may participate, if appropriate, by phone.**